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FUNDING BOOST FOR SAFER ROADS IN MELBOURNE'S WEST

Significant road safety upgrades will be fast-tracked to help reduce road trauma and save lives on Victorian roads, thanks to a major funding boost.

The Australian and Victorian Governments are investing \$1.08 million to improve the intersection of Point Cook Road and Central Avenue in Altona Meadows.

This will see the installation of new Pedestrian Operated Signals across Central Avenue, raised safety platforms, pedestrian fencing, and upgrades to street lighting.

With works anticipated to commence in May 2022 and completion by June 2022.

The upgrades are jointly funded under the Road Safety Program, with the Australian Government contributing \$112.46 million and the Victorian Government providing \$45.11 million.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Roads and Road Safety Ben Carroll

“Victoria has always been at the forefront of road safety with a track record in leading the introduction of lifesaving road safety initiatives.”

“We’re investing in better and safer road infrastructure to drive down road trauma and ensure Victorians can make it home safely every day.”

Quotes attributable to Member for Altona Hon Jill Hennessy MP

“As the West continues to see significant growth, delivering these upgrades as soon as possible is crucial to protecting all road users while also boosting our economy on the other side of the COVID-19 pandemic.”